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SUBJECT: COLSON TESTIMONY AT ERLICHMAN TRIAL

FOR BREMER FROM S/PRS

FOR LONDON AMB. MCCLOSKEY FROM S/PRS

1. WIRES COVERING TRIAL REPORT COLSON TESTIFIED TODAY
ON EFFORT TO GET OUT DEROGATORY INFORMATION ABOUT
ELLSBERG AS FOLLOWS:

2. "THERE HAD BEEN FROM TIME TO TIME DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN
MR. ERLICHMAN AND MYSELF ABOUT THE DESIRE TO GET
INFORMATION OUT PUBLICLY ABOUT DR. ELLSBTRG. IT WAS
THE PRESIDENT'S DESIRE AND DR. KISSINGER'S DESIRE AND THE
DESIRE OF OTHERS TO GET OUT EVERYTHING AVAILABLE AS TO
THE REASONS ABOUT WHAT HAD BEEN DONE" BY ELLSBERG IN
LEAKING THE PENTAGON PAPERS.

3. THIS QUOTE, MATCHED IN BOTH AP AND UPI COVERAGE, IS
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BVRIED IN AP'S ACCOUNT OF THE DAY'S PROCEEDINGS AND FORMS

ONLY SMALL 7 PGH SIDEBAR ON UPI WIRE. WASHPOST, HOWEVER,
QUERIED S/PRS FOR COMMENT, AND WAS TOLD SECRETARY HAS
ANSWERED SUCH CHARGES AD NAUSEUM AND WILL HAVE NO
FURTHER COMMENT UNTIL HE MEETS WITH SFRC, WHICH IS
CONDUCTING ITS OWN INVESTIGATION OF MATTER AT HIS INSISTANCE
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